



Friday 17th March 2023

*Dear God,
May your goodness and love be present amongst us.
Come bless our gathering with unity, hope and vision.
Build in us a deep respect for one another so that your church may be one.
Come stir your hope within our hearts and renew our faith.
May your vision fill our lives as we seek to reveal your love.
Amen.*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our Year 5 & 6 cross country team who took part in a cross-country event on Tuesday. The girls team won the competition and the boys team came second. Well done to everyone who took part.

Years 5 and Years 6 Cross Country Event



WhatsApp

Please can I remind all parents and carers that the reason we have class WhatsApp group is to communicate school related information.

If you have a concern that relates to your child or class, please contact the class teacher in the first instance, and avoid using the class WhatsApp group to share your concerns. This can cause anxiety for others in the group, does not address your concern and can often create mass panic.

Please also remember that both Mrs. Woolley and myself are available on the gate in the morning, and in the afternoon should you have a concern you need to raise.

If you have a non-urgent query please email our parent focus group at parentfocusgroup@stbons.uk
Our next parent focus group meeting is on Monday 27th March at 2.15pm. Any queries that are shared will be raised at this meeting.

Support group for parents and carers with a child with a special educational need

Last Friday we held our first support group meeting, thank you to those parents that were able to attend. Our next meeting is on Friday 31st March at 9.30am after the Easter Bonnet parade. At this meeting I will share an overview of SEN at St Bon's, how pupils are identified and supported. There will also be the opportunity for you to meet other parents and carers. We look forward to seeing those of you who can make it. If you are unable to attend the meeting but want to join our email group please email me on head.st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk

Best,
Sarah Ballantine
Head teacher

St Bon's Easter Festival 2023

It is our traditional Easter Festival on the last day of term. We are holding auditions for the performing sections on **Thursday 23rd March**. Please make sure you have read the accompanying letter and your child is all ready for Thursday. Remember the poem needs to be off by heart, and any costumes and props are welcomed for the poem, song and dance.

If you are doing a song or dance, please be prepared with your music. Every child who enters gets a point for their team.

The creative sections will be on the day, so please only send your artwork in then.

Please do ask, if you have any questions. Attached is a flyer conveying additional important information.

Bristol Flyers Basketball Team



Congratulations to you all, for making it through to the final.

Very Important Notice

Please can **all levelled books** be returned to school by **Friday 24th March 2023** so that we can carry out an audit.

Children will be able to take books again at the end of term for the Easter holidays.

Book Box Audit - help needed

Mrs Rees is looking for volunteers to help with carrying out an audit of our levelled book boxes. Are you able to offer an hour or two on Monday 27th, Tuesday 28th or Wednesday 29th of March?

Please email Mrs Rees if you can - sue.rees@bristol-schools.uk

Important Kidzone Playscheme Notification

Kidzone playscheme will operate during the Easter 2023 school holidays as follows:

Monday 3rd April - Thursday 6th April 2023

Tuesday 11th April - Friday 14th April 2023

Kidzone will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday

On the days we are open, we are offering two sessions as follows:

Full Day - 8:30am - 5:45pm - £28.00

Short Day - 10am - 4pm - £21.00

Please note that Bookings are to be made via SchoolComms

English as an Additional Language Coffee Mornings



If English is not your first language, please do join us for our 'EAL' coffee mornings from 9 – 10am on Mondays in the school – come to the office. The group is run by Mrs Preisner - if you would like more information, please email her at ratiba.preisner@bristol-schools.uk

'At this week's EAL meet and greet (20/3/23) we will be joined by Mrs Burden - EAL interventions teacher.

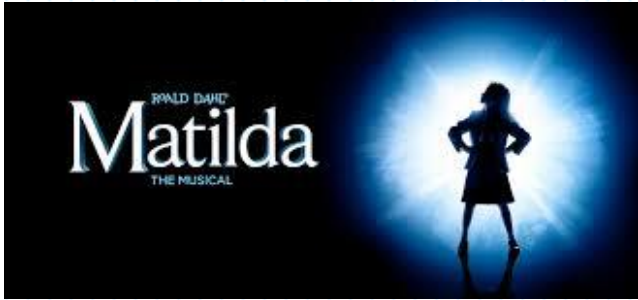
Please join us for an informal chat and coffee.'

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Events from 20thth March 2023 (MENU week 3)

March 23rd 2023: Parent evening 4 - 7pm

March 28th 2023: Parent evening 4 – 7pm



Drama Club

Monday & Thursday rehearsals:

Monday 20th March 2023 Drama will finish at 5.45pm

Catholic Life of the School – Supporting CAFOD’s Big Lent Walk!

As part of our Catholic Social Teaching about solidarity, this Lent we are supporting CAFOD and joining other schools around the country to help support our global neighbours.

To raise money, each class will spend 30 minutes walking around the school playground and MUGA (each lap is 200 metres) on Friday 24th March. Children will bring home a sponsorship form in advance of the event and there will be a reward for the class that raises the most money.

How our fundraising will help

CAFOD is the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, working together with people living in poverty in some of the most hard-to-reach places in the world.

Our fundraising will support people like Dristy. She lives in a small village in Bangladesh – one of the most at-risk countries from the effects of the climate crisis. Dristy says that cyclones and floods are becoming more frequent for the people there.

Dristy’s mum, Rupali, works side by side with her, teaching her how to plant lots of different crops; how to build seed beds that won’t get flooded, what trees to plant to protect the village from cyclones; and how to use discarded household items to grow saplings.

Our fundraising will give more families like Dristy and Rupali’s the tools and training they need to grow in strength and fight the effects of the climate crisis.

We have chosen to support CAFOD as a way for our pupils to put their faith into action. By raising money together, we will be supporting our brothers and sisters around the world and living out our school mission, gospel themes and Catholic Social Teaching.

We really appreciate your support and hope that everyone has fun helping us raise money for CAFOD.



**Clubs and sports at St Bon's -
Week of 20th March 2023**

Drama	YES	Monday and Thursday KS2 (see above for details)
Sophie Morgan Football	YES - 3.15pm - 4.30pm YES - 3.15pm – 4.30pm	Mondays - Y2, & Y3 20 th Feb – 27 th March 6-week course - £24 Tuesdays - Y4, Y5 & Y6 21 st Feb – 28 th March 6-week course - £24 To book email: Coachingwithsophie@hotmail.com Clubs are open to all
Netball	Monday - 4.15pm finish YES, for Tuesday – 4.15pm finish	Mondays – Y3 & 4 Tuesdays - Y5 & 6
Gymnastics	YES – 4.15pm finish	Tuesdays – Y4
Running club – 7.50am	YES	Wednesday mornings – all welcome
Mr Morgan football after school	Girls Football training	Football team
Sophie Morgan Multisport	YES – 3.15pm -4.15pm	Weds – Reception, Y1 & Y2 22 nd Feb – 29 March 6-week course - £24 To book email: Coachingwithsophie@hotmail.com Clubs are open to all
Sophie Morgan Football	YES – 3.15pm – 4.15pm	Thursday – Reception & Y1 23 rd Feb – 30 th March 6-week course - £24 To book email: Coachingwithsophie@hotmail.com Clubs are open to all
Circuits with Mr Morgan – 7.50am	YES	Thursdays – KS2
Tag Rugby	YES – 4.15pm finish	Thursdays - Y5 & 6
Badminton – 8am	YES	Fridays – Y3 & 4
Yoga	YES – 4.00pm finish	Fridays – Y1 <u>No Yoga Friday 24th February or 31st March</u>
Chess	YES – 4.15pm finish	Fridays – Y5 & 6
Hockey with Mrs Hinkins	YES – 4.15pm finish	Fridays - Y5 & 6

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Running Club



Do you want to get fit and have fun at the same time!
Join us on Wednesday mornings at 7.50am.
Running/walking club
Children and adults are welcome

LOOK OUT FOR: PARENTS EVENINGS

THURSDAY 23 AND TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2023

Please look out for an email which was sent to all
parents on Saturday 4 March when online bookings open

PTFA News
www.stbonsptfa.com
Facebook – St Bons Parents and Carers
Instagram - @stbonsptfa
Email – ptfa.stbons@gmail.com
Uniform – ptfauniformrep@gmail.com

Support The PTFA And Support Your School!

Here's how you can support the PTFA currently so we can fulfil the school Wishlist and enrich your child's experience....

1. Attend the AGM on Monday 27th March at 8pm

It's really important we get at least **20 people** joining the meeting so we can vote in the committee otherwise we can't run! So please at a minimum put this date in your diary. And while you're there....

2. Be the new secretary

We are looking for a new secretary to be part of the committee. The involves duties such as preparing the agendas for PTFA meetings, writing and circulating the minutes from the meetings and ensuring the relevant licenses are in place for events. We're a friendly and supportive team so please do get in touch to find out more.

3. Year Group Bake Sales

Thank you, reception, year one and year 3 for getting the bake sales of to a great start. Year 2 next week. Please continue to support the sales as they are a great way of getting funding directly to your class. More info coming from your class reps.

4. Disco Squad

The kids absolutely loved the discos. We need more help coordinating and running events. We'd love to get a disco squad together to run the next few discos. We have experienced PTFA members ready to lead the group but need some fresh voices too. If you're interested sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C44ACA829A0FB6-disco>

5. Donate good condition logo uniform to the school uniform shop.

We're looking for more uniform with the school logo in all sizes. If you have any unneeded uniform please leave it at the office and let Ellie know at ptfauniformrep@gmail.com so she knows to collect it.

The minutes from the most recent meeting can be found in the news section of the website. Please take a minute to have a scroll through and find out more about what we've been up to.



COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The Community Food Pantry is now a year old! We started this venture in February 2022, not knowing quite how it would turn out. We've been thrilled and humbled by the generosity shown by the Pantry's supporters, while sorrowful that such a service is necessary.

Mgr. Bernard and ourselves would like to extend a very warm thank you to anyone who has helped with or donated to the Pantry over the past year.

How can I help?

As well as cash donations, we are incredibly grateful for any food you can give. We're also in urgent need of carrier bags at the moment.

Please donate:

Carrier bags

Tinned fruit

Baked beans

Tuna and other tinned fish

Oil

Flour

Rice pudding

UHT milk

Biscuits

Tea

Coffee

Please **DO NOT** donate:

Fresh food (we can't safely store it and it will go to waste - but Family Food Action can take it)

Where do I leave food donations?

Please put food donations either in the clear box labelled "Community Food Pantry Donation Box" at the back of the church or in the box outside the front door of the Presbytery.

How do I donate money?

There is a "Food Pantry" button on the Donation Point inside the church if you would like to make monetary donations by card. Or you can give cash to Mgr Massey or put it in an envelope through Jenny Glester's door at 57 Egerton Road.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Get fit for 2023

Let's get physical for 2023 at Mum-Dance, the totally 80s dance fitness class. Hilarious, effective routines to all your school disco favourites like Flash dance, Pump Up the Jam, MC Hammer, Yazz and more!

Live and kicking on Mondays 7.30 - 8.30pm in the school hall. Do 5,000 steps per class, get fit the fun way and get YOU back - Lycra optional! Book now at www.mum-dance.co.uk

JUST ROCK® Bristol is a music club for children (7-18) and adults (19+) in Redland. We offer group lessons in guitar, bass, drums and singing and the opportunity to perform regularly as part of a live band. Beginners are very welcome!

The 90-minute, weekly sessions are held on Mondays after school in Redland Church Hall, Redland Green Road, Bristol, BS6 7HE

Timings:

Juniors (7-11s) 4.15pm-5.45pm

Seniors (11-18s) 6.00pm-7.30pm

Adults (19+) 7.45pm-9.15pm

Our end of year gig will be held in July 2023 at The Fleece, Bristol.

To book, go to www.justrock.com/clubs and submit a 'Contact us' enquiry form.

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Guinea Pigs in Need of Re-Homing

We are looking for a family to rehome one of our year 4 male Guinea pigs (Stitch) with his new little friend. The two have been bonded together and are looking for a new loving home. Stitch is very used to being handled and is friendly. Baby guinea pig has been handled since birth and will be used to people. Amazing family pets and brilliant for small children. If you think you can offer these animals a home please contact Mrs Garrett at victoria.garrett@bristol-schools.uk

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